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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated December 3, 2001, in connection with the above-identified application, attached hereto is an executed Declaration for Patent Application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. In addition, a payment in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge for filing the declaration is also attached, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16.

Please charge any shortages in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.40886X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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